## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 633 By McDonald

A RESOLUTION to congratulate the members of the Portland Lions Club on the occasion of the Club's 50th anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to commend those public service organizations whose members have banded together to serve their communities, state, and nation through community service projects and other activities of regional, national, and even international scope; and

WHEREAS, the Lions Clubs International has adopted as its objects: to create and foster a spirit of understanding among peoples of the world; to promote the principles of good government and good citizenship; to take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social, and moral welfare of the community; to provide a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members; to encourage service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward; and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works, and private endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Lions Club, which observed its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in April of 2005, is an active and vital part of Lions International; and

WHEREAS, in attendance for the anniversary dinner at the Portland Church of Christ, were charter members Willard Chandler, Paul Allen West, Wilford Short, James L. Wilkinson, and John Hinton; also at this milestone dinner were Mark Harrison, the current President of the Portland Lions Club, and the current District Governor, Chris Phillips; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Lions Club's ongoing projects include providing eye care for the needy citizens of Portland; and

WHEREAS, the history and achievements of the Portland Lions Club during its lifetime clearly are worthy of our commendation and thanks; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we join with the officers and members of Portland Lions Club in celebrating 50 years of superior accomplishments and outstanding service to their community of Portland and Sumner County, the State of Tennessee, their nation, and the world.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we thank them for their many contributions and offer them our best wishes for much continued success and satisfaction in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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